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January 16, 1970

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Miss June Marshall  
Box 23363, TWU Station  
Denton, Texas

Dear June:

I, too, regret that we didn't have an opportunity to talk again during your visit home. Your parents made a special point to come by and speak to me Sunday morning and I asked them about you. I was surprised that the vacation was already over and you were back in school.

I felt that our first conversation was, at the best, a brief beginning. I am so pleased, however, that you could feel the openness and genuine interest which I have toward you and your special questions and concerns.

I hope that at your next visit we can have time to have a longer discussion. I would like to discuss at length the things we were able to mention only briefly.

I didn't recognize the name of the man who had given you some books to read. If there are even more specific questions you wanted to ask, I might be able to make some recommendations. June, I do hope you will not make any drastic decisions, especially during this time when you are doing more inquiring than deciding about a lot of basic matters. This is a very important time in your life and will have a tremendous impact on your entire future relationship with God. You can be of such great help to others with your own vibrant, personal faith that I want to assure you of my interest and willingness to help in any way possible.

*Terrence (corrected)*

Your brother,

John Allen Chalk

JAC:lc



Dear John,

Please forgive my stationery, but I felt that I might have more to say than could be confined to a couple of sheets of stationery. I am sorry that I did not have time to talk with you again. I really wanted to, but I simply did not have time. I realize that you are very busy, and I will not be disappointed if I do not hear from you. I did some serious thinking while I was at home, as you will know.

I talked with Mr. Dentzer some, and he gave me a couple of books to read (one of which I have already read). I was quite impressed with what both Mr. Dentzer and the book had to say. I hope you will let me know if you have come up with any alternative for the problem at hand. I will keep you informed on my progress, if you like.

I appreciated very much what you had to say to me. I must admit that I was somewhat surprised that you would be so willing to make an attempt to understand my feelings. I

do not expect you to agree with everything I feel, but at least you tried to understand it. There are many things about my life which have made me what I am, most of which no one will ever understand. I would like to explain myself further, but I do not feel a letter is a very proper means for doing so. I appreciated very much your attempts to understand my feelings toward my life and religion. I have met very few people in the Church of Christ who are as open-minded and understanding as you have been.

I do not choose to go into an elaboration of my present feelings. I skimmed the surface with you that Sunday evening, and perhaps another opportunity will arise to do so to a fuller extent. Until that time I hope you will be praying with me for my future decisions. You have helped me more than you could ever know. You are a wonderful person, and I am thankful for the privilege of knowing you. I hope to see you soon.

June Marshall